Unit 2: Industrialization and Progressivism Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Segregation and Discrimination Pd. \_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Answer the following questions completely.

1. What American Era did African Americans first gain freedom to vote and hold political office?
2. What methods did Southern States use to restrict and deny many African Americans from voting?
3. How did many Southern States reinstate white voters that failed the qualifications to vote? Explain.
4. How did Southern States separate white and black people in public and private facilities? Explain.
5. What famous U.S. Supreme Court case tested the constitutionality of segregation?
6. How did the U.S. Supreme Court rule this case?
7. African Americans also had to follow Racial Etiquette. What were some of these informal rules?
8. What was Booker T, Washington’s idea to improve long term gains for African Americans?
9. What happened to African Americans who did not follow the racial etiquette laws?
10. Why did many African Americans leave the south to head to Northern Cities?
11. African Americans found that there was racial discrimination in the North as well. Give examples.
12. Why were Mexicans the largest ethnic group to work on rail lines in the Southwest?
13. What was debt peonage and what ethnic groups did it affect?
14. Why were Chinese immigrants pushed into segregated schools and neighborhoods?
15. How long did racial segregation go on for in the United States?

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1. What American Era did African Americans first gain freedom to vote and hold political office?

Reconstruction Era

1. What methods did Southern States use to restrict and deny many African American from voting?

Reading requirement: Literacy Test

Poll Taxes: African Americans (even some whites) were often to poor to pay Poll Tax

1. How did many Southern States reinstate white voters that failed the qualifications to vote? Explain.

Added a Grandfather Clause: it stated that if a man failed the qualifications to vote he was entitled to vote if he, his father or his grandfather voted before January 1, 1867. (African Americans could vote back then)

1. How did Southern States separate white and black people in public and private facilities? Explain.

Passed Jim Crow Laws: Segregation laws that separated blacks from whites in places like schools, hospitals, parks and transportation systems.

1. What famous U.S. Supreme Court case tested the constitutionality of segregation?

Plessy vs. Ferguson

1. How did the U.S. Supreme Court rule this case?

Separation of races in public was legal and did not violate the 14th Amendment (granted citizenship to all people born in the United States). “Separate but Equal” As long as both races were provided equal services.

1. African Americans also had to follow Racial Etiquette. What were some of these informal rules?

Blacks and Whites did not shake hands: This showed equality

Blacks had to yield the sidewalks to whites

Blacks always had to remove their hats for whites

1. What was Booker T, Washington’s idea to improve long term gain for African Americans?

Improve African Americans Economic Skills

1. What happened to African Americans who did not follow the racial etiquette laws?

They faced severe punishment or death. Many African Americans were lynched.

1. Why did many African Americans leave the south to head to Northern Cities?

Better paying jobs

Social Equality

1. African Americans found that there was racial discrimination in the North as well. Give examples.

Segregated neighborhoods

Discrimination in the work place

No Labor Union memberships

Hired African Americans as last resort

Fired blacks for white workers

1. Why were Mexicans the largest ethnic group to work on rail lines in the Southwest?

They were accustomed to the regions hot and dry climate

1. What was debt peonage and what ethnic groups did it affect?

A system that bound laborers into slavery in order to work off a debt to the employer. Ethnic groups were Mexicans and African Americans

1. Why were Chinese immigrants pushed into segregated schools and neighborhoods?

White’s were afraid of job competition.

1. How long did racial segregation go on for in the United States?

60 Years